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Barbara Mazurowski General Manager U.S. Department of Energy-RFFO 10808 Highway 93, Unit A Golden CO 80401-8200

Dear Ms. Mazurowski:

The Rocky Flats Cleanup Agreement designates the use of caps/covers as part of the remedial action for several areas at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (RFETS). The Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment and Region 8 of the Environmental Protection Agency are currently working with RFETS on the design of alternatives to Subtitle C covers. Even as we discuss and debate issues associated with these covers, we are supportive of the concept of evapotranspiration covers and are confident that an appropriate design can be developed.

Support from the Department of Energy's EM50 program will allow continued progress on this project and help to ensure its timely completion. Successful implementation at Rocky Flats could also impact onsite disposal projects at other sites throughout the DOE complex. We urge your involvement in gaining the support of the EM50 program for this important remediation project at Rocky Flats.

Sincerely,

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